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Totomoi Tapping Holds Today's Spotlight in Chapel Program

Totomoi, our school's honorary leadership fraternity, held the attention of this morning's chapel program with their spring tapping ceremonies. Brad Reed, president, opened the ceremony with a description of the ideals and requirements of the society. He mentioned the activities that are regarded as prime achievements in the selection of new members. These include: all athletics, publications, student government, scholarship, and various student activities such as forensics and clubs. The Totomoi crest hung before the student body, symbolizing the five major fields and their necessarily interlocked nature. The ceremony continued with the tapping of five boys: Don Brothers, Jim Wood, Tommy Murphree, Ed Creagh, and Ira Parker. Dr. R. L. Sager was tapped to membership as friend of the school.

Don, captain of this year's football team has made quite a name for himself in MBA athletics. He has participated not only in football but in track as well. Don held a minor in this field. In student government he held a major. Twice on the Honor Council, he is

this year's president of the Student Council. As a freshman, Don was vice-president of his class. He also held a minor in student activities. Jim Wood held a major in scholarship. He has won several class medals and is member of the National Senior Honor Society. A major also in publications, he is business manager for the BELL RINGER and has been on both paper and annual staffs for three years. In student activities Jim has a minor. He is a member of the Hi-Y and the Forensic Club.

Tommy Murphree has achieved a major in athletics. His football, basketball, and JV activities have brought him his points. In scholarship he holds a minor, and in student activities he also minored. Ira Parker's next year's BELL RINGER editor, majored in publications. His scholastic achievements also merited him a major in that field. Key Club, Hi-Y, Forensic Club, Freedom Forum—all helped Ira to achieve a major in student activities.

The formal initiation ceremony will be held this evening at the school. Alumni and faculty are invited to the ceremony at 7:30 p.m.

Lasseter and Reed Win National Acclaim

On May 1, over 800 high school seniors from every state were awarded Merit scholarships by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. These seniors were the winners of the largest and most rigorous scholarship competition in our history. Out of 12,500 U.S. high schools which entered 162,000 of their best students, MBA has had two winners. Brad Reed and Rollin Lasseter were honored in receiving this award.

For MBA this is a true honor—placing two of the five in Davidson County.

The Merit is a four-year scholarship whose stipend is based on need alone. The Merit scholars are allowed to attend any accredited college in the U.S. The funds come from private sources, including over 55 corporations of all sizes, foundations, professional associations, and other groups.

Brad has decided to take his Merit to Duke University and Rollin to Vanderbilt. Under the elective freedom of this program, Brad is to study electrical engineering; Rollin is to study for the law. The other finalists for MBA, Ransom White and Jim Wood, were awarded certificates of Merit. Bob Marks was given honorable mention in the final tests.

Other winners in Davidson County were Miss Suzie Whitney of West, Miss Cherry Clark of Hillsboro, and Tommy Reeves of Linton.



—Photo by Ed White

The BELL RINGER Staff for 1957-58 includes Edgar Uden, Ira Parker, Frank Crowell; second row: Robert White, Robert Stanley, Ben Mayes.

Commencement Exercises May Be Held In New Gymnasium

by Walter Bearden



—Photo by Ed White

Progress on the Brownlee Curry Gymnasium holds interest of faculty and student body as walls near completion and interior work is soon to begin.

Auxiliary Plans Dinner and Dance To Honor Seniors on May 30

This year the annual senior dinner, sponsored by the Ladies' Auxiliary, is to be held at Richland Club on Thursday night, May 30. Mrs. W. L. Hunter, chairman, has announced the following members of her committee: Mrs. Russell Hooper and Mrs. Mack Brothers, Jr., will be in charge of decorations. Mrs. J. C. Thurman, Jr., and Mrs. Joe R. White will make the place cards; and Mrs. Arthur Reed is to be in charge of arrangements.

Immediately after the dinner the seniors will pick up their diplomas and head for the annual dance to be held on the school patio. Everyone in school is urged to bring a date and enjoy the dance music of Tommy Knowles.

Mrs. Ewell Conwell, chairman of the dance committee, will be aided by Mrs. John Herbert and Mrs. Aaron Shelton, assistants in charge of refreshments and decorations respectively.

Tommy Knowles is well known for his music at many social affairs in Nashville. The Ladies Auxiliary decided on his orchestra for this reason, as they have plans for vitalizing this traditional MBA affair.

Forensic Club Plans Future

The new officers of the Forensic Club, elected for the year 1957-58 are as follows: President—Ira Parker; Vice-President—Bill Barr; Secretary—Edgar Uden; Program Chairman—Tommy Murphree. This meeting ended perhaps the most successful year in the Forensic Club's short history. Established in 1954 for the purpose of furthering interest in speech among the juniors and seniors of the school, it was originally composed of 27 members. This year the number was 48—almost double that of the first year.

The main work of the Forensic Club is concerned with conducting assembly programs each Wednesday. These programs usually consist of a few verses from the Bible, a short speech, and a prayer. Through these programs this club has helped to enlighten many boys in their everyday problems.

In addition to work in school, the Forensic Club held monthly meetings, usually at the homes of different members. Each of these meetings was conducted under the rules of parliamentary procedure. The features on the meetings were guest speakers. One outstanding speaker was Bill Wade who spoke on the subject of segregation.

This has been a good year for the Forensic Club. With the fine state of new officers we can expect another good year for our speakers.

Mrs. Conwell has announced that the entire student body is invited to attend and to bring dates. Although the dance is in honor of the seniors, it is given for the benefit of the entire school. Japanese lanterns will decorate the patio, and refreshments will be served throughout the evening.

The Senior Class is certainly looking forward to their last party before graduation and feels very grateful to the Ladies' Auxiliary for highlighting their graduation with such a fine social program. It is an appropriate way to end the four prosperous and happy years at MBA.

MBA Wins Second Place In Mid-South Forensics

The Mid-South Association of Preparatory Schools held their annual forensic meet at Vanderbilt University Saturday, May 4. MBA speakers piled up enough points to barely miss a first place in the contest. Castle Heights took first with MBA second.

Winners were George Sloan with a first in declamation, Tony Edmonds with a first in dramatic reading, Rollin Lasseter with a first in extemp., and Frank Crowell with a second in humorous reading.

George Sloan gave his declamation from the school Junior-Senior Contest. Tony gave a cutting from the play, *Death of a Salesman*. Rollin drew three extemp subjects—the film, *Baby Doll*, Union mismanagement, and Jordan's role in the Mid-East. Frank gave a cutting from *Green Pastures*.

Creagh to Head Key Club in '58

The Key Club officers elected to serve next year are Ed Creagh, president; George McGugin, vice-president; Tommy Murphree, secretary; Bill Barr, treasurer; John Carpenter, senior representative; and Carl Babb, junior representative.

Throughout this past year, besides their regular programs, many of the Key Club members have been attending the Friday luncheons of the downtown Kiwanis Club, their sponsors. The programs at these meetings have been very interesting and beneficial.

In addition to these meetings many Key Clubbers went to the annual convention which was held in Knoxville. Jodie Wallace, Brad Reed, Russell Hooper, Alan Purdy, George McGugin, Ed Creagh, and Tommy Murphree were among the group attending.

The 1957 Senior Class will graduate on the morning of June 1 at 10 o'clock. The commencement exercises may be held in the new Brownlee Curry Memorial Gymnasium if it is sufficiently completed. Otherwise, the graduation will be held in the present gymnasium.

The seniors will attend a church service on Sunday, May 26. They will hear a baccalaureate sermon from a local minister. The annual Senior banquet and dance will be held on the same night this year. The banquet will start at 6:30 on the night of May 30. Following the banquet, which will be held at Richland Club, the dance, sponsored by the Ladies' Auxiliary, will be held on the patio. Tommy Knowles' orchestra will play for the gala event. All the students of Montgomery Bell Academy are invited.

On Saturday morning, June 1, the seniors will walk across the MBA campus as students for the last time. Opening the commencement program, which will be presented before many MBA parents and patrons, will be speeches by the individual winners of the three separate declamation contests. The winners in the respective classes are Tommy Sloan in the Freshman-Sophomore group; Ira Parker in the Junior-Senior group; and the winner in the Junior School group. Following these speeches, the various scholastic awards and medals will be presented to the students who have made the highest grades in their respective classes during the year. Additional awards, such as the citizenship and journalism awards, will be given to those boys who have merited them by their services during the year. The Junior School graduates will receive their diplomas, followed by the awarding of diplomas to the seniors by Dr. Sager. The Salutatory address having been given by Brad Reed at the beginning of the program, Emmett Dozier will then give the Valedictory address. This speech will be followed by the benediction, which will close the four most important years in the lives of 42 seniors.

Therefore it is hoped that everyone interested in MBA will attend the commencement exercises in order to help the seniors usher out their high school lives and embark on the yet untraveled sea of the future.

Hi-Y Election Completes Year of Club Activities

Recently the members of the Hi-Y Club of MBA elected officers who will direct the affairs and activities of the club for the year of 1957-58. The newly elected officers are as follows: President, Laird Smith; Vice-President, John Dale; Secretary, Edgar Uden; Treasurer, John Carpenter; Chaplain, Bill Barr; Sergeant-at-Arms, George McGugin and Tommy Herbert. The Hi-Y looks forward to a well-run year, a year with activities equaling those of the year past.

For the school year of 1956-57, the Hi-Y Club of MBA has had a successful and rewarding year. Last fall the members of the MBA Hi-Y attended the Tennessee Hi-Y Convention which was held at Hillsboro High School. At the convention Bill Barr was elected district Chaplain.

Later on in the year, the Hi-Y elected five of its members to hold offices in the Tennessee Cabinet during Youth-in-Government Week. These boys were Jim Thurman, Jeff Edwards, Gene Shelton, and Laird Smith, who served as Representatives, while Jim Wood served as a Senator.

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Memories of Our Year on the Hill

R. A. L. III

I will soon walk down the front steps for the last time. This is not a pleasant thought for me, for it means that four years, four wonderful years, are past and ended. As I head down the bricks toward Harding Road, I will remember the football games on Andrews Field. The excitement and pride in what I saw will always come back to me when I think of teamwork, for that teamwork made MBA the power she is. Basketball, tennis, track crowns—all will be memories on my last walk from school.

At the cannons, I know that I must pause and look at the school again. I will see the columns towering over the campus. White statues of heroes they are at a distance. In this moment of pause, will I not think of those who have instructed and guided my four-year journey into manhood? Yes, the faculty—their eccentricities, their encouragement, their words of advice—will come back to me as do the little memories of childhood happiness.

While looking at the study hall, I will think of my first demerit. What a blow to my pride that was! Is it not unfortunate that we men become insensate to such blows after much repetition? There would be less trouble in the world if only we felt each reprimand as deeply as the first such injury to our pride.

But other things will be pressing me, and I will not be able to stand long at the cannons. My feet will shuffle on to the bridge, where again the force of old habits will hold me. My eyes take in the waters striking rocks at the bridge's base. My hope is that the lessons I have received at MBA will not wash past my brain as these waters past the rocks. The lessons here have been Education—an ability to meet one of any society with subjects of interest to him, an appreciation of the best that humanity has produced, a love and respect for the traditions of my people, a set of tools with which to fashion channels of emotional expression. Yes, MBA has given an education I will be proud of.

Yet as my feet pace the distance to the gate, a great weight will hang on me, slowing me until finally I stop before the iron arch. What is it I hate to leave here? What holds me back? It is the picture of those whom I have known here, the great student body. Fitting, this "body" appellation, for that is what it is. Each individual always was a member, and the unity was the key to our teamwork.

I remember the faces first, but could I forget the spirits that animate those faces? Little scenes come into focus of bull sessions and classrooms, of lunch-time riots and athletic meets. I remember the Evelyn Campbell Players and their classic plays, the dunking machine at Alumni Day two years ago, Stunt Night, and Totomoti tapping. Privilege list ratings that freshmen boast so proudly in their new manhood hold a place in these years that I cannot forget.

Suddenly, a mighty pull turns me about: and I hold my head high as I look for the last time on those white giants on the hill. They are truly the symbols of heroes—straight, tall, and powerful. But I cannot stay here; other matters press and duties call from the city towers. I turn and glance at the morning sun, then head out on the road, the sun warm on my back.

The Rebel Yells

by Col. Russ Hooper

Let's start this column with a big rebel yell for the graduating seniors.

Our congratulations to Rollin Lasseter and Brad Reed of winning the Merit Scholarship awards. Also we congratulate the winners of the NROTC awards: Jim Wood, Wade Elam, George Sloan, and alternates Gene Shelton and Rollin Lasseter.

The economics class heard three outside speakers as guests recently, Mr. Ben Nance of the Credit Bureau, Mr. Gore of Security Federal, and Mr. John Clay of the Third National Bank. These men explained the operations of their organizations and related these functions to the studies of the economics class.

The Montgomery Bell "Yacht Club," after a successful season in the Creek, has been forced to quit because the creek is running dry. However, when the creek was running high, a whole fleet of boats ranging from about ten to sixteen inches in length were being raced against each other or just being run for pleasure in the creek. The members who brought boats were Butch White, Kit Wharton, George Huntley, John Myhr, Chuck Renegar, Wilson Wattenbarger, Jeff Reuschle, Mason Houghland, John Marshall, and Bill Cate. The fastest boat was a Fleet Line 16 inch Sea Wolf equipped with a larger engine.

The "love bug" has bitten Charlie Herbert, as he has entered the select circle of the pinned.

It's good to see so many freshmen competing in spring sports. Billy Cunningham has participated in all track meets, and has won points in most of them. In baseball Reau Estes, Todie Gerald, Jimmy Killbrew, Bucky Friar, Billy Whitmer, John Garrett, and Bob Mathes are all making their contribution. In tennis Jim Cheek is high on the ladder.

Paul Simpson's mechanical robot, Robert, has made a name for itself. It not only made a good grade in general science, but also won second place and a fifty dollar bond in this year's Boys' Hobby Fair.

We hear that Carl Hoffer's 1957 Dodge "500" won first place in the drag races at Bowling Green, Kentucky.

The Eighth Grade history class enjoyed the color slides of Panama, which Coleman Harwell brought to school. These pictures, taken by his brother while on a Navy cruise, directly correspond with the study of the Panama Canal which the class has undertaken.

In one of George McGugin's lighter moments he quipped, "I don't care what you say; Georgia Tech has the best line in the nation, and it is definitely the school for me."

Displaying equestrian ability, George Sloan rode to a third place in the Memphis steeplechase. He rode Coming Man, of the Mason Houghland stables.

EDITOR'S NOTE

The 1956-57 BELL RINGER has had a successful year, which has been made possible through the cooperation of a capable staff and helpful faculty advisers.

Genuine appreciation is expressed to all who have contributed time, talent, and effort to this year's paper.

R. A. L. III

Deacon's Dissertations

R. A. L. III

The Road goes over and on
Down from the door where it began.

Now far ahead the Road has gone,
And I must follow, if I can.

Pursuance it with Tenary feet
Until it joins some larger way,
Where many paths and errands meet.

And whither then? I cannot say.

from "The Road"—Tolkein
There is before us an ever-calling road. To where it leads no man can say. But we must walk it, though it lead through desert, forest fire, or snow drifts—though it lead through wind storms or appear to end in some unforgiving river. This road is what some men call Destiny. Destiny is not often the way to glory or to power or to wealth. It is often the way to failures, poverty, and fatigue. But it is always the call that we cannot afford to ignore.

We have spent four years together at MBA, and we have come to know each other well, as only friends can know each other. But our paths are soon to separate and run apart. Perhaps we will join some common road in years to come. However, what will we bring with us on our journey? That is a thing determined, for the most part, by what we have done at MBA, for the preparations

of the high school years are the basic luggage on the trip of Life. Here we learn the ways of society, the tools for the garnering of knowledge, the lessons of great lives, and most important, the assurance that we are not alone on the road of adulthood—we have friends.

It would not be surprising if some who walk the halls with us today were to become great men and leaders of their country. But no man becomes great who does not equip himself to carve his niche in The Halls of Time. MBA has given many of her sons to the world to become great—Yarbrough, Andrews, Currey—and many remain dear to the hearts of their classmates—Fitts, Rose, Wade. How has she produced such a roster? Through the training and the spirit that are inseparable from her. Her sons are ready to take the road. But training and spirit are useless unless a man is willing to use and develop them. This personal effort was the secret of these great sons of MBA. They were willing to work to develop, and glory was their prize.

Inquiring Reporter

The question asked by the Inquiring Reporter for this edition of the paper was directed towards the Senior Class. Many of them found it difficult to find an answer to this question. The question is—"If you had your last four years of high school to live over, what would you do differently?" Here are the answers of those who carefully considered it.

RANSOM WHITE—"I would never start dating girls."

TONY BRUSH—"I would figure out a method for studying less so that I would have more time for girls."

GENE SHELTON—"I'd take studying more seriously."

JACK OMAN—"I'd bring my lunch every day."

ROBIN BEARD—"I would get a job with a construction company."

CHARLIE HERBERT—"I'd go to Cuba."

EMMETT DOZIER—"I would have gotten pinned to Louise as a freshman."

JODIE WALLACE—"I wouldn't let studies interfere with my high school life."

RUNCIE CLEMENTS—"I would move to Atlanta and go to Westminster High School."

TOM HUSBAND—"I'd study twice as hard."

BILL PARRISH—"I'd study."

JIM WOOD—"I'd study less."

CALEB WALLWORK—"I'd take part in more school activities."

WYLLIE McDOUGAL—"I wouldn't study as hard."

JEFF CLARK—"I'd study with Jim Wood."

JOHN BROTHERS—"I'd know what I know now."

LARRY ROBERTS—"I wouldn't take English."

RUSS HOOPER—"I'd skip high school."

BRAD REED—"I wouldn't go to school."

DON BROTHERS—"I'd study harder."

TOMMY BARKSDALE—"I guess I'd study harder."

If you were asked this question, how would you answer it?

JUNIOR SCHOOL TAKES TOUR

Last week the Junior School boys were privileged to take a tour of our city in connection with their studies of Tennessee history. They were guests of Mrs. Charles Ransom who led the tour. Many varied and interesting places were discovered by the boys as they learned the surprises the city holds for sight-seers. This was the schedule of itinerary:

1. Leave MBA at 9:30 A.M. in chartered bus.
2. 10 o'clock A.M. Tour State Capitol. The Governor of Tennessee will receive boys first.
3. Leave Capitol for Tennessee State Archives. Mr. Charles will have on display Tennessee's rarest documents in addition to some of the rarest in the county. A tour of the building will be over at 12 o'clock.
4. Each boy will be asked to bring his own lunch (two sandwiches); cold drinks and cookies will be furnished. The lunch will be served at Ames Davis' home on Tyne Boulevard, and a nice plunge in his pool will be enjoyed.
5. Go to Travelers Rest, Franklin Road, to visit the home of "John Overton," now a museum house owned by the National Society of Colonial Dames of America in Tennessee. Judge Overton was Andrew Jackson's law partner, and it was here that Jackson's campaign was planned. Seven Confederate generals were having lunch at Traveler's Rest when the first shot of the Battle of Nashville was fired. Mrs. Sam Orr, one of Nashville's best historians and a granddaughter of John Overton, will tell the boys about Traveler's Rest.
6. Return to school at 2:30 o'clock.

Projects Feature Spring Classwork

Early spring has always seemed to be "project season"; and this year was no exception. The first week of March saw the models of geometric figures which were turned in by Miss Thompson's Eighth Grade students.

On March 15, projects were submitted by Mrs. Sims' Latin II students; and since second-year Latin is concerned chiefly with the Gallic Wars of Caesar, the majority of the projects were in the military vein.

The poster division featured three outstanding creations, which were a colored diagram of the divisions of Caesar's army by John Clay, and water color paintings of Roman soldiers by Tom Stephens and Paul Sanders.

Among the outstanding projects in other fields were Caesar's bridge across the Rhine by Frank Crowell, a watch tower by Anders Myhr, a

siege tower by Wirt McKnight, a catapult by Billy Wood, movable shields by Tommy Sloan, and a mosaic tile pattern by Ronnie Sadler.

On Monday morning following the spring holidays, Mr. Meriwether's chemistry lab was filled with the ingenious creations of the boys in his general science and chemistry classes. Among the more eye-catching exhibits were a working robot by Paul Simpson, a model of a distilling apparatus by Bill Griffin, a working model of a petroleum flow chart by Wylie McDougall and Ransom White, and the Zone electrophoresis process by Ira Parker and Alan Purdy, a scale electric model of an oxygen atom by Robert White, and a display of the steps in the purification of water by Tommy Murphy and Ed Creagh.



Ode at the Graduation of the Class of '57

R. A. L., III
Forsan et haec olim juvabit nos meminisse . . .
VIRGIL

I
Will it not be in time still to come refreshing
To look back, remember, these days dashing
By us now unnoticed? Those cloud-hid years
Ahead will be too full of shadow fears.
Our minutes, driven past like desert grains
Before the winds, will hold then pleasing pains.
Then, in our worried rush, a thought to pause
And summon back our youth will cause
Our feet to walk familiar bricks again,
Our eyes to scan dead pages. Age's strain
Will seem, in reverie, no reality—
No longer quite oppressively finality.
Turn, you pages of a now-closed chapter!
We would forget, a moment, and relive old laughter.

II
The light winds that are sleeper's warning
To waken brush my cheek at morning.
The night was short, an hour or so,
But daylight's heat in leaving was slow.
The Morn has come so fast. First rays
Of still more glorious sun now blaze.

Unfold, strike out across the cloud,
And sweep the buildings ever proud.
The day of hope, of duty comes;
The trees, his soft guitar, Day strums.
Alone in the heat—no playing now—
My task is set; I wonder how
The course will run that now demands
The feet that yearn to break these bands
Which cross and twist in myriad reds,
Calcutta saris, iris beds,
And bind me to this campus' past.
My duty breaks the cords at last.
I step onto the path and walk, a proud one;
Sunlight burns my back; one call, a loud one,
Echoes out—Return, the morn's a trance—
But scarlet veils obscure my backward glance.

III
The world is full of empires of forgotten men,
And none could claim the glory they have wrought.
Yet all in all, the deed may be done again,
And labor, true success, can not be bought.

IV
We have made the years fly past as swallows,
Think, my friends, back to that long-past day
When we, like cygnets in a strange pool's shallows,
Crossed into this world, this MBA.
Did we not wish to wing, afraid, away
To safety in some place of well-loved want?
Do not the memories of our four-year stay
Call to us with the same back-looking taunt
To shun the road that leads away from youthful haunt?
These were the years of joy, of manhood's growth
That never fade from memory, though Age
Brings beauties that are dear and thrilling both.
What could the most year-weighted, learned sage
Know of life that is not on some page
Within the Book of Memory we write?
There is soft laughter, voices to engage
The ear, and the faces that remain still bright.
What more needs one to see and understand the Light?
These years have gone. No power of Earth can call them
back.
Still, they will shine, our candles, through the half-shade
Black.

Congratulations to the Graduating Class of 1957

Guaranty Mortgage Co.

W. G. Bush & Co.

Ferro Corporation

Emma's Flower Shop

Vogely & Todd

Hermitage Hotel

Cross Keys

B. H. Stief Jewelry Co.

Murphree Mortgage Co.

Nashville Tent & Awning Co.

Oman Construction Co., Inc.

H. G. Hill Co.

Modern Marine, Inc.

Tenn. Electric Motor Service

Coles & Waller, Jewelers

1956-57 Summary SENIOR CLASS

by Bob Marks

This year has been one of many good times, much hard work, and a good deal of honor for this year's graduating class. The seniors started the ball rolling in October by electing the class officers. President Brad Reed, Vice-President Jodie Wallace, and Secretary-Treasurer Emmett Dozier have done a fine job all year in heading the senior activities. Following close on the heels of class elections were the selection of officers for the various extracurricular clubs and student government organizations on the campus. In the Hi-Y, seniors elected to officers were Jodie Wallace, President; Jim Thurman, Vice-President; Emmett Dozier, Secretary; Wade Elam, Treasurer; Rollin Lasseter, Chaplain; and Ron Grubbs, Bowyer Cheshire-Sentinel. The Forensic Club officers were: President, Rollin Lasseter; Vice-President, Wade Elam; Secretary-Treasurer, Ransom White; and Program Chairman George Sloan. The Key Club members elected Jodie Wallace President, Brad Reed Vice-President, Wade Elam Secretary, and Rollin Lasseter Treasurer. Another group of seniors which started work early in the year and have continued to do a fine job all year is the Senior Freedom Forum.

Having successfully seen the new year off to a good start in school leadership, the seniors turned their energies to football. Among the more outstanding players on this year's AAA Champion team are many seniors. MBA placed five men on the All-AAA squad in Tom Husband, Don Brothers, Ron Grubbs, Jodie Skinner, and Johnnie Murphree. The Maroons are especially proud of their contribution to the All-Tennessee team who is Don Brothers, chosen as all-state tackle. By the time basketball season had rolled around the seniors had made contributions to its success in the form of Captain Courtney Marshall, and stand-out players Jodie Wallace, Billy Hunter, David Foxall, and John Campbell.

With the school well on its way to one of its best years, the seniors turned their attention to the task of studying. Evidently this shift of emphasis was done effectively, for soon the senior privilege list began to grow in both size and amount of noise created. More tangible proof of the genius which flourishes extensively in this year's graduating group is the fact that five boys qualified for the highly competitive Naval ROTC scholarships. The three principals are Jim Wood, Wade Elam, and George Sloan. The alternates are Gene Shelton and Rollin Lasseter. MBA was also well represented in the Merit Scholarships Competition by Brad Reed, Ransom White, Rollin Lasseter, and Jim Wood who all made the finals in this very tough scholarship competition.

During February twenty-two MBA seniors were flown to Camp Millington Naval Installation at Memphis where the Navy played host to them for a week end. Among the many exciting features of the week end was the trip to and from the base which was made in naval aircraft.

Another highlight of the senior's year not to be overlooked is the tapping of four new members into Totomol, the highest honor MBA can bestow upon a boy. Old members Brad Reed, Rollin Lasseter, and Jodie Wallace welcomed Emmett Dozier, Walter Bearden, Wade Elam, and Ransom White into the club accompanied by the wide-spread acclaim of the whole student body.

With the coming of spring our hearty seniors are again seen busily at work on the tennis court, track field, golf green, and baseball diamond. Several seniors are making a decided effort in helping Coach Owen to win the fourth straight Banner Relays title, and some of the clan have been and attempting to aid Mr. Eule gain his thirteenth straight NIT tennis championship.

From the above evidences it can be noted that this year's seniors have excelled in athletics, scholarship and in many realms of

Name	Nickname
TOMMY BARSDALE	Little Slew
RONNY BEAS	Sunnybrook
WALTER BEASSEN	Nair
DOE BROTHERS	Squire
JOHN BROTHERS	Goobler
TONY BRYAN	Scab
ALLEN BRYAN	Petunia
JOHNNY CAMPBELL	Nobody
BOWYER CHESHIRE	Moto
JEFF CLAY	Rope
RUNNER CLEAREN	Chucky
FRANK COLE	Chunky
DOUG CONWELL	Bongo
JEFF EDWARDS	Julius
WASE ELAM	Howdy Doody
HENRY FONALL	Epim
BOB GIBSON	Baby Doll
CHARLES HEBERT	Chigger
BOB HOPKINS	Penguin
CARL HOPPER	Doc
RUSSELL HOOPER	Jett
CLAY HUGLINTON	Cube
TOM HUSBAND	Big Orange
ROLLIN LASSETER	Deacon
BILL LIGHTFOOT	Dog
BOB MARIS	Groucho
COURTNEY MARSHALL	Cocchie
WYLLIE MCDONOGALL	Atlas
JOE MURPHREE	Blackjack
JACK OSMAN	Willie
BILL PARKER	Squid
BRAD REED	Only
LARRY ROBERTS	Remister
GERE SHELTON	Nelly Belle
BILLY HUNTER	Hots
CALEN WALSHWORTH	Pretul
JOE WALLACE	Bandit
RANSOM WHITE	Jumping James
JIM WOOD	

JUNIOR CLASS

by Tony Edmonds

At this time of the year when the leaves are budding on the trees and the days are becoming longer, we realize that another school year is coming to an end; we the Junior Class ask ourselves, "What have we as a class done this year—athletically, scholastically, and socially?"

As far as sports are concerned, the word Junior has become almost synonymous with the word athletics. On the varsity football squad were John Dale, Ed Creagh, Tom Murphree, John Knight, David Duke, Billy Gerald, and Tub Williams. When time came to put the ball through the hoop, John Dale, Ed Creagh, Tommy Murphree, Jim Knight, David Duke, Billy Gerald, and Tub Williams were on the squad.

On the baseball team are Jack Hall, Billy Gerald, John Dale, Robert Stanley, and Dick Williams. Burning up the cinders are Tommy Murphree, David Duke, Jerry Bradley, Jim Knight and John Mues. Ed Creagh is number five man on the tennis team, and George McGugin and Ben Mayes lead our linksmen.

In the field of scholarship, the juniors have one of the brightest classes in history. Juniors reporting high averages are Ben Mayes, Ira Parker, Ed Creagh, Tommy Murphree, Bill Barr, Tony Edmonds, and Alan Purdy. Ira Parker displayed brilliant forensic skills in winning the Junior-Senior speech contest and the state forensics contest. More than one-third of the Junior Class are in the National Honor Society.

This year the Junior Freedom Forum has spoken to several civic clubs, high schools, including a trip to Columbia Military Academy. The Forum includes Tommy Murphree, Bill Barr, Ira Parker, Ben Mayes, George McGugin, and John Dale.

Socially—well, the Junior Class has not been very active. The only big party to be given by the class this year was held at Tommy Murphree's house in the fall.

In retrospect, we might say that this year's Junior Class was one eager to learn—learn in athletics, learn in studies. Next year these boys will be Seniors—leaders of the school. The knowledge gained this year will be invaluable in helping the new Seniors carry out their duties to the best of their abilities.

extracurricular endeavors with the exception of one—the reputation of this year's beloved graduates as party men was found to be sadly lacking. It was, no doubt, in an attempt to restore this lost glories that several, valiant parties of seniors sallied forth into the "wilds" of Florida during the school's annual spring holidays. However, to conclude on a more serious thought, the senior's year has been a profitable one for him in that within the space of the past few months he has collected a store of experiences from MBA which will be with him throughout his life.

SENIOR TEA LEAVES

by Jodie Wallace

Pastime	Where Found	Heard Saying
Golf	11th Green	I'll sink that putt
Climbing Trees	Golf Club Lane	Who's crawling back?
Combining Head	In front of mirror	Let's go back to Florida
Smirking Looks	In a new car	My name is Brothers
Annie	Atlanta or Chattanooga	I like red hair
Scab	Let's go to the "Y"	There we were
Marjie	Teen Town	But Mr. Meriwether
Half-time Champ	Let's go to the "Y"	Listen, Coach
Lifting Barbells	With Skinner	Let's go to the "Y"
Working in the rice paddies	China	I use chopsticks
Beach Parties	Sprawled in sand	I'm a pig
Bouncing	Blue Grass Golf	Yes, Ruth dear
Mashing	Ethiopia	I'm not telling her name
Staying	London	We've got to study
Eating Pizza	Zanini's	I slipped
Playing at Osmans	Pecky's	Honest, Peggy
Athletics	Studying	What's a girl?
Football	Travis	I need a date
Tree	Cynthia's	I'm not
Drinking	In Second Gear	It runs pretty good
Hitting Stop Signs	Daytona Streets	Sho' bluffed me
Playing Ball	Hampton Ave.	O.K. July
Overseeing	Library	Please, Betsy
Working on Paper	With Y	I play football
Beerdrinking	Sandra's	Get your article in
Drawing	Dating Carol	Shas-Bas
Card	At the Casino	I'll draw it
Waiting People Down	"Pup"	You owe me 50c
Opening Churches	Dancing	Who's wrapped?
Complaining	Church Retreats	Never again
Making 100's	Away from School	Look, Lee
Running	Blue Grass Golf	Oh—
Breaking	Running 880	I'm not in shape
Shooting Bull	Shooting 880	Yes, Mr. Campbell
Washing Dishes	Jackson or Memphis	I'm injured
Traveling	Paddock Room	I got a mile for . . .
Explaining Homework	Gilly Neil	I got a letter
	High Jumping	Mr. Rule, I found an easier way

SOPHOMORE CLASS

by Frank Crowell

This has been an interesting year for the Sophomore Class with many of them making a definite place for themselves in the various activities of school life. In school leadership, athletics, speech contests, and class work the sophomores have been making a name for themselves.

The class has been ably led by class officers who were elected at the beginning of this school year. These officers are John Clay, President; Whitney Griffin, Vice-President; Tom Stephens, Secretary-Treasurer. Elected to the Honor Council were Richard Appen and Carl Babb, and to the Student Council were George Creagh and Eddie Murray.

In the sports field they have had excellent representatives on every athletic team in the school. The sophs on the varsity football team were John Clay, Whitney Griffin, Bobby Raiford, Dick Husband, and Billy Crawford. The last two, Husband and Crawford making a letter. Next year these four plus the up-and-coming members of the junior varsity are going to offer excellent material for Coach Owen.

In basketball the sophs didn't let up. Under the able coaching of Hank Duvier, the JV consisting of John Clay, Jackie Hooper, Chuck Chumbley, Bullets Gillespie, Carl Babb, Eddie Murray, Richard Appen, George Creagh, Dick Husband, Tommy Sloan, Eddie Grant, and Billy Wood had a very successful season.

They haven't let up in spring sports either. The sophs on the track team are John Clay, Don Houser, and Billy Wood. Those playing golf are Randy Barker, George Creagh, Billy Crawford, Jackie Hooper, and Joe Palmer. Carl Babb, Anders Myhr, and Billy Crawford are on the baseball team.

The annual Freshman-Sophomore Speech contest this year was dominated by sophomores. The participants included: Richard Appen, Lionel Barrett, Billy Carothers, Chuck Chumbley, Frankie Crowell, Gorth Fort, Jackie Hooper, Dan Houser, Tommy Sloan, and Billy Wood. The winner, who will speak at the June Commencement exercises, was Tommy Sloan, and the runner-up was Frankie Crowell.

For his first time, Frankie Crowell went to Clarksville with the public speakers to participate in a speech contest. He entered in the humorous reading division and came back with a third place. The big party of the year was given at John Clay's house. All had much fun and wish now there had been more parties.

The names of approximately fourteen have appeared on the Privilege List as it was read each six weeks, indicating that these boys have put much time in study.

This has been a good year for the sophomores and all are eagerly looking forward to belonging to the Junior Class next year.

FRESHMAN CLASS

by Sam Robertson

Freshmen have had a fine first year at MBA, full of many new experiences and activities. Of course, no report could cover all the events in an entire school year, but—here for the first time is a complete report on all the big events of the Freshman year.

Many freshmen were busily engaged in making the JV football team long before school began this year. It didn't take very long for much of the GLAMOR to be replaced with plain HARD WORK. Among these boys were: Mike Sheffield, Wilson Prueher, Billy Cunningham, Dale Sullivan, Craig Nelson, Eslick Daniel, Chip Hutchison, Bobby Frist, Willie Hardison, Jimmy Killebrew, Mike Thompson, Sam Glasgow, Jimmy Pickel, Billy Bob Whitmer, and Frank Cherry. The JV had a fine season of football.

In the beginning of school, freshmen met Mrs. Sims, Mr. Bachleda, Mr. Rule, Mr. Cooper (who is no longer with us), and Mr. Meriwether who greatly encouraged those who had that "out of place" feeling. Mr. Landon came soon after.

The first class activity occurred when the Freshman class officers were elected. Willie Hardison took the chair of President, Craig Nelson was voted to the position of Vice-president, Frank Cherry and Bobby Frist received the honor of being on the Honor Council, and Lewis Dale and Joe Howell became members of the Student Council. Jeff Williams accepted the task of Secretary-Treasurer.

The first duty of the newly elected officers was to drag freshmen into the job of making noise makers for our Homecoming game. Freshmen had to make the noise makers before the noise makers could make the noise. Once started, they produced wholeheartedly, and some very noisy noise makers were created. A spaghetti supper was also a great feature of that special game.

Three freshmen were thought to be terribly overworked this year when each had to leave school (at different times) for a few weeks stay in the hospital. It was later discovered, however, that their appendices were the villains. The victims were, respectively: Paul Simpson, Tony Scoville, and Alan Wallace.

Another big event of the year occurred at the beginning of the basketball season. Appearing for the freshman team, and doing an excellent job, among others, were: Mike Sheffield, Mike Thompson, Milton Smith, Wilson Prueher, Paul Simpson, Russell Hart, Frank Cherry, Alan Wallace, Alex Palmer, Willie Hardison, Bobby Frist, Eslick Daniel, Craig Nelson, Sam Glasgow, Lewis Dale, and Reau Estes. What a crew!

The last big "splash" of the social year went off with a bang at the home of the (terrified) Frist. It was the Freshman Party. Among the many wild escapades were machine guns (toys of course—we hope), crazy hair styles, and boys who smashed into basketball goal posts (namely, Alex Porter).

JUNIOR SCHOOL

by Bill Shwab, David Walker, Chris Williams, Phil Hendrickson

This year three new faces, Sam McCoy, Phil Hendrickson, and Charles Ransom were found in the eighth grade.

Because Miss Thompson was ill, the first time for the first time in her place at the beginning of the school year.

At the homecoming this year, the Junior School made posters, painted signs, and sold tickets to the Spaghetti Supper. Coleman Harwell won the prize for selling the greatest number of tickets. The officers for the Junior School elected early in the year were:

President of the Junior School, Budd Vaughey; Vice-President, Bill Shwab; Secretary-Treasurer, Tony Todd; Honor Council Member, Ray Francis; Reporter for the paper, Coleman Harwell.

In two field trips have been enjoyed by the Junior School. One was a trip to the Nashville Bridge Company to see some barges launched.

The other was a marvelous tour on April 29 to the Capitol and other places of interest. The Governor of Tennessee received the boys, and Mr. Quarles at the State Archives lectured on Tennessee history. Mrs. Robert Orr at Travelers' Rest also lectured on Civil War Days. A bounteous lunch and a dip in the pool at Ames Davis' home were highlights. Mrs. Charles Ransom, the room mother of the Junior School, sponsored the trip. The Junior School appreciates Mrs. Ransom very much.

This year the MBA Junior School has had an excellent scholastic record. The Eighth Grade's privilege lists have averaged eleven persons per time with a few exceptions at different times of twelve or thirteen. They have finished their required English book and have almost finished a ninth grade English workbook, which they received in late January.

Many book reports have been made, and two themes have been turned in to Miss Thompson during the year.

Mr. Novak had the eighth-graders write for a history project a five page or more theme on subjects discussed in the history book. These were taken up at mid-term and everybody received good grades. Mr. Novak has also shown movies in the history class.

The Junior School visited Mr. Meriwether's laboratory to see the science projects of the high school. This was very enjoyable, and Mr. Meriwether's lecture was most interesting.

We of the Eighth Grade have had our fun along with our work. We have gone to several successful dances during the year while laboring under homework.

However, in a short time, all was glued back together, including Alex's head.

And so the freshmen wind up their first and last year as freshmen, leaving a path of trembling teachers behind. If the legend is true, and we feel sure it is, this is only the beginning. BEWARE!!

Maroon High Lights 1956-57

by Ira Parker

The 1956-57 school season is drawing to a close, but the memories of a great athletic year will still be fresh in the minds of students and patrons alike for many years to come. Winning has grown to be a habit for MBA athletes in the past few years and this year was no exception. MBA was "the team to beat" around NIL circles. Maroon athletes charged through an undefeated football season, hopped through an off-and-on cage season, and sported a good track record. MBA netmen dominated the courts, and Maroon golfers, packed with material, took over the links.

FOOTBALL—The football season proved to be a bright spot for the third consecutive year. Led by a star-studded, All-City line, the Maroons romped through ten games, on top each time, and played Springfield to a scoreless tie in their third straight Clinic Bowl outing. Probably the most impressive victory, however, was a regular season conquest of Springfield, in which the Maroons came from behind in the second half to win 20-13. But as usual the "big" games always involved Litton and Hillsboro. The Maroons clobbered the Burros 40-7 and handed Litton easily 20-7.

BASKETBALL—Hit hard by the graduation of the whole starting team from last year, the Maroons still stayed on the 500 end of the winnings with a 10-10 record for the cage season. The opposing teams were generally taller, but had their hands full when the MBA scoring potential was let loose. Senior Buddy Foxall was the hot man in the nets for the season, followed closely by Courtney Marshall, Billy Hunter, and John Dale. East eliminated the Maroons in the 18th District tournaments in a close contest.

SPRING SPORTS—Spring sprang; and simultaneously so did track, baseball, tennis, and golf. The cindermen, who previously had little competition around the NIL, were faced with some tough foes in East, Goodlettsville, Franklin, and West. The sport was coming into its own, and greater emphasis on track was brought out in the stiff competition. Baseball suffered most by losses via graduation. Replacements for Watson, Morehead, Sullivan, and crew were taken from freshman and sophomore ball players. The loss of Billy Gerald at the first of the season with a leg injury hurt the cause also.

Coach Jim Kule's fuzzy ball artists are expected to chalk up their thirteenth straight NIL championship this year. Led by seniors Wylie McDougall, Brad Reed, and sophomore Eddie Murrey, the MBA netters thus far have found little competition in the NIL, but faced some hotter Southern teams in Chattanooga the last of April.

We are hoping that MBA golfers, loaded with material, as there were no graduating golfers last year, will blister the links for the NIL championship.

JV. MICROBE, FRESHMEN—Microbe and JV sports brought considerable attention this year. The Microbes were co-champs of their league on the gridiron with a 5-1 record. They held third place in their cage league with a respectable 5-4 mark. Junior Varsity footballers chalked up a neat record and sported an impressive 9-6 mark on the hardwood. An innovation for MBA this year was a freshman cage team that won 9 out of 12 games from freshman and junior high opponents around the city.

MBA Spring Sports Banquet Held

On the evening of May 2 all the participants in athletics (excluding football) were entertained at the annual Spring Sports Banquet. With the addition of freshman basketball, there were nine teams present, represented by some one hundred and twenty-five boys and their respective coaches. Letters in Microbe, Freshman, Junior Varsity, and Varsity basketball; Microbe and Varsity baseball; tennis; golf; and track were awarded to the boys who by their skill, desire, and merit have earned the right to wear the MBA monogram.

Each coach received a gift from his team as a small token of the gratitude of his team for his time, effort, and guidance throughout the different activities.

In addition to the awards, a delicious dinner prepared by Mrs. Rule was served to the boys by the ladies of the faculty. The banquet is indeed one of the most outstanding events of the second semester.

Microbe Team Gains Momentum During Season

The Microbes have finally "come to life," and are seeking revenge for the several losses they endured during their early season. They showed clearly what a fine team they were when they continued at full speed, never downhearted by these discouraging defeats. After being defeated by: (1) B.G.A., April 5, 12-0; (2) Parmer, April 11, 12-4; and (3) Julia Green, April 17, 3-2—they have suddenly added to an April 12 victory of 9-5 over B.G.A. These more recent victories, (1) 9-6 on April 23 over Crieve Hall; and (2) 8-5 on April 26 over H. G. Hill.

The victory over Hill was especially rewarding inasmuch as Hill had already clinched the Eastern championship, and this was their first defeat. Bill Campbell did a fine relief job in this game when Hutehison was injured.

In their first winning game, the

Maroon Golfers Burn Links in Impressive Play

The Maroon 1957 golf season opened officially on April 2, and twelve boys turned out for the 36-hole qualifying rounds at McCabe golf course. After one week of play, the first eight qualifiers were:

Buddy Foxall 146
Russell Hooper 147
George McGugin 148
Randy Barker 148
Joe Palmer 148
Ben Mayes 149
Billy Crawford 151

Beginning April 8 matches were played against other NIL schools; and after these engagements the Maroon linksmen remained undefeated, having downed such foes as North, East, and Lipscomb.

Throughout the first three weeks of the link, challenge matches were played for the first four positions, who would represent MBA at the state meet at Chattanooga April 25. The four boys making the trip were:

1. Russell Hooper
2. Buddy Foxall
3. George McGugin
4. Randy Barker

Microbes did an excellent job with Frank Hutchison pitching a fine game, Bill Shwab excelling with two home runs, and Bill Cheek doing a great job at first base.

The closest loss was handed to them by Julia Green, scoring three runs against the Microbes' two. All the runs were scored in the first inning.

The final game of the season was a 10-9 loss to Woodmont in a thrilling 12-inning contest which saw the lead change many times. Pat Wilson substituted for the ailing Ira Reese in this game and did a superb job as catcher.

Once again the Microbes should be congratulated for such a fine recovery over their early defeats. In victory or defeat, the games were enjoyed by all and the closeness of the scores reflects the fine competition engaged in.

Baseball Season Closes This Week

In the opener for the Big Red, North was host at Morgan Park. The Maroons held the lead for four innings but then were overtaken and finally beaten 9-4. The players collecting singles were John Dale, Billy Crawford, Dick Williams, Doug Conwell, and Carl Babb. Anders Myhr had the only extra base blow, a late inning double. Todde Gerald pitched a fine game and was relieved in the last inning by Jack Hall who gave up one unearned run. The other players in the North game were Reau Estes, Eddie Benson, and Robert Stanley.

The following day MBA played host to the Vanderbilt freshmen at Thayer. Buddy Harrell pitched a tremendous game for the baby Commodores, allowing no hits and coasting to a 7-0 victory. Players seeing action in that game were John Dale, Billy Crawford, Carl Babb, Todde Gerald, Robert Stanley, Doug Conwell, Anders Myhr, Dick Williams, Eddie Benson, and pitcher Reau Estes.

New arrivals on the team are Tom Husband, Dick Husband, and Johnny Murphee.

The Big Red had their game with Cohn and Hume Fogg postponed until a later date.

The Maroons lost their next three games before getting a win. MBA lost to Franklin 6-2, West 9-3, and to Cohn 5-2. But April 30, 1957, was the big day for the Maroons. Behind the pitching of Reau Estes, MBA came through to win their first game by a score of 5-4. It looked dark for the team with Ryan leading 3-2 in the top of the seventh with two out. Then Anders Myhr, Jack Hall, and Tom Husband provided back to back singles to tie the score. With men on second and third, Carl Babb doubled to centerfield, plating easily what proved to be the winning run. The Big Red now has a 1-4 record in the NIL.

A hot battle for the team leadership in hitting has developed between John Dale and Anders Myhr. Both are hitting well over .300.

Tennis Team Has Successful Season

It again appears that MBA's tennis team will capture the NIL crown for the 14th consecutive year. Led by Eddie Murrey, Wylie McDougall, Brad Reed, Runcie Clements, Ed Cragg, Buddy Cole and Jodie Wallace, the Big Red has rolled over every NIL foe to date.

One of the highlights of the season was the annual trip to Chattanooga for the Southern High School Tennis Championships. MBA, handicapped by the loss of Eddie Murrey to the measles and by Brad Reed's broken ankle, was unable to win more than two individual matches. They returned from Chattanooga to face the Vanderbilt freshmen, and Wylie McDougall carried Vandy's No. 1 netter, Steve Riven, to three sets before losing. The Maroons are looking forward to a return match with the Commodores.

MAROON TRACK TEAM ACTIVE THIS YEAR



—Photo by Ed White

Members of the 1957 track team are Muse, White, Thurman, Huddleston, Duke, J. Murphee, Husband, Shelton; second row: Billy Wood, Jim Wood, Herbert, Sloan, Clay, T. Murphee, Fleckner, Marshall; third row: Woodward, Knight, Parker, Beard, Grubbs, Foxall, Houser, Hunter, Bradley, Brush.

Two School Records Broken in Banner Relays

April 25 saw the breaking of two school records during the 4th annual Banner Relays. The 880-relay, composed of Huddleston, Grubbs, Marshall, and Hunter, sped around the TPS track for a record 1:34.7. The previous record was 1:35.5, made by J. Herbert, Gardner, Hunter, and Chickney. Tommy Murphee broke the school record for the 880-yard run with a time of 2:08.3. Todd Burwell held the previous record—time 2:11.3. However, MBA was denied its fourth straight Banner Relays crown.

A tremendous display of physical stamina, led by the Eagles of East High and Goodlettsville's Trojans, shattered records galore and pushed the Maroons to a tie for sixth place. Hit hard by the loss of Jim Thurman with a sprained ankle, MBA was virtually out of the running for the coveted title. Big John Muse, who was a threat to take shot put honors, failed to qualify by a half inch, and Buddy Foxall was not able to better his qualifying toss, since he was out of town on a golf trip.

New Records Set

The record books had to be re-

Maroons Edged by Narrow Margin

Despite several fine individual efforts by MBA's thinclads, the Maroons failed to successfully defend their district championship by the narrow margin of one-fourth of a point. B.G.A. finished with 43½ points, followed by MBA with 43¼ and Franklin with 35½. For the Maroons, Billy Hunter won the 100-yard dash in 10.5, David Duke won the 440 in 53.8, Tony Brush tied for first in the pole vault at 9'8", and the sprint medley, 880, and mile relay teams won their respective events. The Maroons suffered a severe blow to their hopes when star dashman Jimmy Thurman again sprained his ankle in the 100-yard dash. Nevertheless, MBA is looking forward with high hopes to the regional meet.

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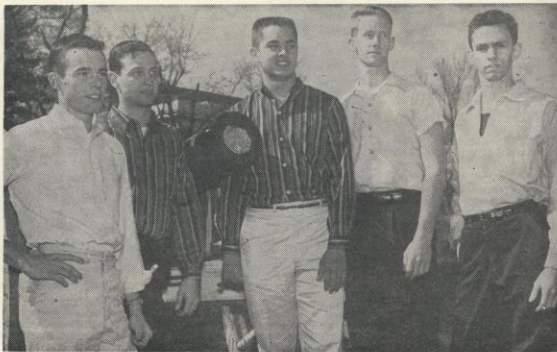
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Gene Shelton, George Sloan, Wade Elam, Jim Wood, and Rollin Lasseter received Navy recognition. Three, Sloan, Elam, and Wood, won NROTC scholarships.

Thirty-Four Received No Demerits This Year

According to the records in the office, thirty-four boys have achieved the almost impossible task of managing to slip by the year without a demerit against their name.

The boys who have accomplished this fine record are:

Richard Appen
Tommy Barksdale
Dick Barry
John Brothers
Jimmy Cheshire
Jack Collia
Emmett Dozier
Beau Estes
Ray Francis
Bobby Frist
Alan Glenn
Kent Hamilton
Willie Hardison
Mason Houghland
Donald Houser
Dewitt Kennard
Bob Marks
Roger Peek
Alan Purdy
Ronnie Sadler
Don Shriver
John Siegfried
Laird Smith
David Walker
Wilson Wattenbarger
Bandy Wenning
Albert Wheeler
Ransom White
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Numerous Honors Received by Senior Boys

MBA boys have been winning honors by the score this past month. There have been awards for scholarship, athletics, literary and composition.

Wade Elam, George Sloan, and Jim Wood won NROTC scholarships. Gene Shelton and Rollin Lasseter were alternates. Also among the scholarship awards were Brad Reed and Rollin Lasseter with National Merits.

Jim Wood was the recipient of a scholarship to Tulane, and was a finalist in the Westinghouse competition. He has decided to accept the Navy scholarship.

Rollin Lasseter received an Evans scholarship to Washington and Lee and a Baker to Sewanee. He has accepted the National Merit grant.

John Murphree and Ronnie Grubbs have both been granted

Georgia Tech athletic scholarships and plan to accept them. Don Brothers will accept an athletic scholarship to Vanderbilt.

Tom Husband has received a football scholarship to the University of Tennessee.

As a result of the recent senior themes on "The Employment of the Handicapped, a Community Responsibility" Walter Bearden has won an award from the Tennessee Department of Education for his theme. Walter's theme was judged to be one of the six best in the state, and he will go to Governor Clement's office on May 17 to receive a cash award and a certificate of merit. The Kiwanis Club will then honor the six winners at a luncheon to be given at the Noel Hotel.

The school has been honored by these awards to her students.

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Three Boys Win NROTC Scholarships—Set MBA Record

Three MBA boys, James Wood, Wade Elam, and George Sloan have recently been named recipients of four-year college scholarships under the NROTC Plan. Rollin Lasseter and Gene Shelton were named alternates. Before receiving these scholarships, these boys went through extensive mental and physical tests. The final test came in a personal interview.

Under this plan these boys will have a four-year college education free of tuition fee. In addition to free tuition, they will be paid a "salary" of \$50 dollars a month. At the end of these four years, they will graduate as full ensigns in the Navy. During their years in college they will go on cruises during the summer.

It is an MBA record to place three boys under this program. The school has often had at least one or even two to receive the award; however, this is the greatest number ever given to the NROTC by our school. Dr. Sager voiced the feelings of the student body in a recent chapel program when he said, "We are proud to see these boys make such a record."

ALUMNI NOTES

Kent Carney was elected as one of seven from the senior class at Vanderbilt Medical College to the Alpha Omega Alpha, honorary fraternity in School of Medicine for highest scholarship. He will graduate this June and intern at the University of Virginia.

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Election of New Officers And Student Panel Feature Auxiliary Meeting

At a joint meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary and the Men's Club Monday night, April 22, the new officers of the auxiliary were elected. Mrs. J. C. Hayes is the new president. She is to be aided by the other new officers: Mrs. Ernest Hardison, First Vice-President; Mrs. Ernest Franklin, Second Vice-President; Mrs. Joe Howell, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Nelson Carmichael, Corresponding Secretary; and Mrs. Weldon White, Treasurer. The slate was accepted unanimously.

Mr. John Dale made several announcements concerning the Men's Club plans, especially about the annual Father-Son banquet to be held May 21 in the old gym.

It was announced by Mrs. Conwell, Senior Class mother, that the Senior Banquet will be held at Richland Club, May 30, and will be followed by a school prom honoring the seniors. Mrs. Conwell urged all boys to come to the dance as it will be a gala occasion.

The program, prepared by Mrs. Campbell, began after a devotional delivered by Bob Marks and Emmett Dozier. A panel discussion, the program was on the theme—"What we boys think." Brad Reed, George Sloan, John Murphree, Tom Husband, Walter Bearden, Ransom White, Wade Elam, Rollin Lasseter, and Jodie Wallace gave their views on four phases of teen-age problems—family, school, social, religious.

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